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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: JCS Requirement for Paper on Hardened Soviet
ICBM Sites, Mid-1961 Thru 1967

1. The attached request from the Joint Chiefs of Staff is forwarded for review.

2. The Board of National Estimates (BNE) also has been furnished with a copy of this requirement. Our understanding is that BNE is developing terms of reference for a paper which they deem appropriate to satisfy this JCS request. BNE will submit these terms of reference to the USIB representatives for clearance, following which a paper will be drafted for consideration at an early USIB meeting.

3. Because General Collins has requested that this matter be handled as a matter of priority, we propose to proceed immediately along these lines without asking for any specific USIB discussion of the requirement pending completion of the paper. Accordingly, we will consider that USIB concurs in the above procedure unless a USIB member objects or requests a USIB discussion of the question prior to noon on Wednesday, 25 October.



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JCS review(s)
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MEMORANDUM FOR : Chairman, United States Intelligence Board

Subject : Request for an Estimate of Hardened Soviet
ICBM Sites, MID-1961 thru 1967

1. The Joint Chiefs of Staff have a pressing requirement for an estimate of the numbers of Soviet ICBM sites available from mid-1961 thru 1967 with particular emphasis on hardened sites.

2. Neither NIE 11-8-61 nor NIE 11-8/1-61 contains such an estimate.

3. I therefore request that an estimate on this subject be undertaken as a matter of priority.

RICHARD COLLINS
Major General, USA
Director for Intelligence

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